

# If You Purchased a PACA, Point Blank or Galls Brand Bullet-Resistant Vest Containing Zylon®

## Please Read the Following Legal Notice.

A Court has taken the first step in approving the settlement of a class action lawsuit pending in the Seventeenth Judicial Circuit Court in and for Broward County, Florida relating to bullet-resistant vests manufactured by Protective Apparel Corporation of America, Inc. ("PACA") and Point Blank Body Armor, Inc. ("Point Blank"), that contain Zylon®, and were sold by PACA, Point Blank and their distributors to state and local law enforcement agencies and others and include, among others, the following popular models: **Fusion, Legacy, Galls ZL1, Galls ZL2, Galls ZL3, The Beast, RTZ, ZG and ZPG**. In a class action lawsuit, one or more persons (class representatives) sue on behalf of themselves and any other individuals who may have similar claims.

This Notice is a summary only. If you are reading this, but did not receive a mailed notice, please visit [www.zylonvestexchange.com](http://www.zylonvestexchange.com) or call the toll-free number below to register in order to receive Settlement proceeds and further information.



### What is This Lawsuit About?

The lawsuit alleges that these vests fail to meet the performance characteristics for which they were warranted, that the vests are unfit for their intended purpose and that they are not merchantable. Defendants deny these allegations and any wrongdoing. The Court has not made a final decision either way.

### Are You a Class Member?

You are a Class Member if you purchased a PACA or Point Blank bullet-resistant vest made with any Zylon, including any of the models listed above. Galls vests containing Zylon® were manufactured by Point Blank.

### What are the Terms of the Settlement?

If approved, the Settlement provides two primary benefits:

- **Replacement Vest Option** – Defendants will create a Replacement Vest Program in which Class members will receive new non-Zylon® replacement panels at no cost. Defendants will also be responsible for all transaction costs associated with the delivery of the replacement panels to Class members.
- **Voucher/Carrier Option** – Class members also have the option of receiving a new standard carrier or a voucher equal to the difference between the price they paid for their original vest and the replacement vest selected, on a depreciated basis.

### What Are My Legal Rights?

**Remain a Class Member and Receive Benefits** - If you want to remain a Class Member and receive benefits, you must (a) contact and register with the Claims Administrator by June 30, 2006; or (b) complete and submit a Claim Form online by June 30, 2006 at [www.zylonvestexchange.com](http://www.zylonvestexchange.com); or (c) fax a copy of a completed Claim Form by June 30, 2006 to the Claims Administrator; or (d) complete and submit a Claim Form by mail to the Claims Administrator, postmarked on or before June 30, 2006. By participating in the Settlement, you will be bound by all orders of the Court relating to the Settlement. If the Settlement is approved, related legal claims against the Defendants will be released. Please contact the Claims Administrator or visit the Web site below to obtain a copy of the Claim Form.

**Hire Your Own Lawyer** - The Court has approved Class Counsel to represent you at no cost. But, if you choose, you may hire your own lawyer to appear in Court for you. You have to pay that lawyer yourself and that Lawyer must file an Entry of Appearance. Details explaining how to file this Entry are available at the Web site or by calling the toll-free number listed below.

**Exclude Yourself** - If you do not want to be included as a Class Member, you must exclude yourself. If you exclude yourself, you get no benefits, but you keep the right to file your own lawsuit. To exclude yourself, you must submit a signed Request for Exclusion form no later than March 6, 2006. For a copy of this form, please visit the Web site or call the toll-free number below.

**Object** - You can tell the Court if you do not like this Proposed Settlement or some part of it. To object, you must send a letter that is mailed and postmarked by March 6, 2006. For specifics on how to properly file an objection, please read the detailed notice available at the Web site or by calling the toll-free number below.

The Court has scheduled a final approval hearing for March 16, 2006 at 8:45am in Courtroom 960. At that time, the Court will consider whether to approve the Settlement and award attorneys' fees and costs. Any attorney fees and costs awarded by the Court will be paid by Defendant in addition to the Settlement benefits and, thus, will not reduce the Settlement benefits available for Class Members. The Broward County Courthouse is located at 201 S.E. 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301. Please do not contact the Court for information about this Settlement.

This notice has been approved by and is issued pursuant to Court order, the Honorable Leroy Moe, Seventeenth Judicial Circuit in and for Broward County, Florida.

**For more information and a detailed Notice,**  
**Call: 1-866-778-1150 or Visit: [www.zylonvestexchange.com](http://www.zylonvestexchange.com)**  
**PLEASE DO NOT CONTACT THE COURT.**